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25X1A SUBJECT: PROGRESS REPORT FROM

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25X1A 1. TODAY, WHILE FLYING U-3 ON SEARCH LOCATED WHAT APPEARS TO BE COMPLETE RIGHT WING, INCLUDING SLIPPER. THERE ALSO SEEMS TO BE SOME PARTS OF THE FUSALAGE CLINGING TO THE WING. WING APPEARS IN GOOD CONDITION. IT RESTS ON A HIGH RIDGE IN ISOLATED TERRAIN. CLOSEST ACCESS TO THE WING IS A DIRT TRAIL IN THE GULLY AT FOOT OF RIDGE. TRAIL PROBABLY WILL ACCOMODATE FOUR WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES. HOWEVER, THE WING IS ROUGHLY THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE UP A THIRTY DEGREE SLOPE FROM THIS TRAIL. THE TERRAIN IS EXTREMELY ROUGH.

2. A GROUND PARTY IS ENROUTE TO THE WING. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE PARTY WILL ARRIVE AT POSITION ON TRAIL CLOSEST TO WING PRIOR TO DARKNESS. OUR U-3 WILL AID THIS POSITIONING.

3. SUBJECT TO CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY OIC OF GROUND PARTY

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ONCE ON SCENE, PLAN TO VISIT WING SITE APPROX 1430L 1 MARCH WITH LAC REPRESENTATIVES. AT THIS TIME EXPECT TO ASSESS WING AND PLAN RECOVERY COURSE OF ACTION.

4. ENGINE RECOVERY ACTION WILL TAKE PLACE ON 1 MARCH. ENGINE WHILE IN RUGGED TERRAIN IS IN POSITION REASONABLY ACCESSABLE IN COMPARISON TO THE WING.

5. TODAY FLEW 392 (ONE TIME FLIGHT APPROVED BY HQ) AT ANGLES 20, WITH A2 CONFIG AND TRKR FOR PURPOSE OF BASE LINE PHOTOGRAPHY OF AREA. SOME HAZE IN AREA, HOWEVER EXPECT TO HAVE GOOD RESULTS. PLAN TO HAVE PHOTOS IN HANDS OF GROUND PARTY ON 1 MARCH. OUR PI TECHS WILL COMMENCE DETAILED SEARCH 1 MARCH.

6. POSITIVE LOCATION OF PILOT, ENGINE AND WING FOLLOWS:

A. PILOT LANDED - 35 DEG 18 1/4 MIN N

118 DEG 14 MIN ^A

B. ENGINE - 35 DEG 18 MIN N

118 DEG 21 3/4 MIN ^B

C. WING - 35 DEG 20 MIN N

118 DEG 17 MIN W

YOU WILL NOTE THAT THESE THREE POSITION FORM A TRIANGLE. CENTER OF THIS TRIANGLE IS ON 286 DEG RADIAL AT 35 1/4 NAUTICAL MILES FROM THE EDWARDS, (EDW) VOR.

7. FORCASTED WX FOR AREA (TRIANGLE) PRECLUDES CONTINUED AERIAL SEARCH OF AREA ON 1 MARCH. HOWEVER, I HAVE SCHEDULED FOUR U-3 SEARCH MISSIONS IN AREA ON STAND BY BASIS. DON'T WORRY - IT WILL BE ON NO WX RISK BASIS.

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8. TRANSCRIPTION OF PILOT-KC-135 CREW TAPE IS UNDERWAY.

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9. [REDACTED] WILL COMMENCE DOOR TO DOOR CONTACT WITH

NATIVES LIVING IN TRIANGLE NOTED IN PARA 6 ABOVE ON 1 MARCH PURPOSE
IS TO ENCOURAGE THESE PEOPLE TO SEARCH^R FOR AND TURN IN ANY ITEMS
THEY MAY FIND.

10. WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED.

END OF MESSAGE

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